

Meanwhile, the Harlan
waters should be mentioned
when writing to friends.

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COURT RULES ED ROBERTSON ON CITY BALLOT

WRIT OF MANDAMUS GRANT-
ED GIVING COUNTY BOARD
JURISDICTION

CITY, HOWEVER, WILL HOLD
AN ELECTION OF ITS OWN

RESIGNATION OF ALLING
NOT ACCEPTED; 2 SETS
CITY BALLOTS PRINTED

"The city will conduct the election
next Tuesday. Ballots bearing the
names of Mitchell and Alling are
printed. We know nothing official
of any court decision."

Refuse Allings Resignation.
Present indications point to a hot
mix-up in the safety election Tues-
day. From present indications both
the city and county boards will hold
elections. One set of ballots will
bear the names of Mitchell and Rob-
ertson, the other Mitchell and Alling.
Mr. Alling's resignation was not ac-
cepted by the city commission.

Robertson on Ballot.

The race for Safety Commissioner
will be made by Ed Robertson and
Wm. Mitchell. That was finally set-
tled late Thursday evening by Judge
A. H. Huston, when he handed down
a decision in the mandamus action
brought by John Adams as attorney
for Ed Robertson.

No Contest on School Board.

No contest was raised as to mem-
bers of the school board and the four
candidates receiving the highest num-
ber of votes will be printed on the
ballot.

The decision is one of importance
and is the first of the kind to be
rendered. It clearly states the duties
of the county election board and de-
fines the powers of the city commis-
sioners in the matter of holding
elections.

The court in its decision was con-
trolled by Article 18, subdivision 2-a,
of the Constitution, and the Legisla-
tive Act of 1910-11 at page 317.

Section 18 2-a of the Constitution
provides:

"All cities containing a population
of more than two thousand inhabi-
tants may form a charter form of gov-
ernment, consistent with and subject
to the constitution and laws of this
state."

The act covering general elections
in cities and towns passed in 1911,
Session Laws of 1910-11, page 317,
after providing for biennial elections
in all cities and towns of the state,
has this double proviso as to charter
cities:

Provisions of Election Law.

"Provided, That the provisions of
this act shall not apply to cities with-
in the State of Oklahoma which have
heretofore adopted or may hereafter
adopt a charter form of government
in accordance with Article eighteen
of the Constitution of Oklahoma, and
in such charter have provided or shall
hereafter provide for the election of
different officers than those provided
for herein, or have provided or may
hereafter provide a different time or
manner for the election of the elective
officers of such cities; and notwith-
standing the provisions of this act, the
elective officers of any such city shall
be elected at the time and in the term
provided by such charter of such city;
Provided, That elections held by cities
having the charter form of govern-
ment shall be conducted according to
the provisions of the election law
relative to other cities and towns and
under the control of the county and
state election boards."

The court held that under this last
act that while charter cities might
provide a different set of officers to
be elected, and a different time or
manner for election of its officers,
and might elect them for different
terms than that provided in the gen-
eral laws as to cities not having the
charter form, nevertheless, when
such an election in charter cities is
had, it must be conducted according

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VILLA WILL MAKE MEXICO "DRY" COUNTRY

MEXICAN GENERAL IS DETERM-
INED TO END TRAFFIC WITH
RESTORATION OF PEACE.

Gen. "Poncho" Villa is a total ab-
stainer; he neither drinks nor smokes.
In a recent interview he said:

"Mexico will be without liquor when
peace comes, if it is in my power,"
said Villa. The subject was of evi-
dent interest to him because he em-
phasized the remark by closing and
opening his right hand and narrowing
his round eyes to slits.

"Mexico is suffering from it now,"
he continued. "It is not only the ef-
fect of the stuff upon those who drink
it but the effect upon those who are
to come. Most of the epilepsy is
caused by drunkenness. The children
are the sufferers and, as usual, the
poor suffer the most from it."

"The president of a people might
not be a drinker himself, but so long
as he permits his people to play with
poison he is showing himself a weak-
ling. I will not permit it among my
officers. It makes them less effec-

ive."

Puts Lid on Towns He Enters.

"When our troops reach a town
border all of the saloons close. Then
we send trusted officers around to
take an inventory of the stock in each
saloon. A paper bill is pasted over
the crack of the door and it must not
be broken. When the order is re-
voked the saloon can not open again
unless an examination of the stock
shows that none of it has been remov-
ed since the inventory was taken. Some
of my men have been shot for drink-
ing and some saloon keepers have
been executed for selling it to the
soldiers. Now the penalty is a
heavy fine."

GUTHRIE ROAD BOOSTERS WILL ATTEND DINNER

A delegation of enthusiastic good
roads boosters from the Chamber of
Commerce and Auto club will go to
Edmond at five o'clock to attend a
good roads dinner where they will
confer with a delegation from Okla-
homa City and the business men of
Edmond relative to working out the
bad piece of road between Guthrie and
Edmond.

MURRAY MUST SUPPORT CHILD OF ALTA TRUEITT

Claude Murray, held on a statutory
charge, and whose trial was set for
April 8th in county court, today asked
permission to change his plea of
not guilty to guilty. Judge Chappelle
assessed a fine of \$300 and ordered
Murray to deed to Alta Trueitt, the
complainant, a tract of land the re-
venue from which will be applied to
the support of the child of Alta Trueitt.

METHODIST QUARTET IS TOURING STATE

The Mispahshower quartette, the
student quartette of the Metho-
dist university here, left Thursday
for a trip in the southwestern part of
the state, several other trips being
scheduled to be made during April
and May. The quartette is compos-
ed of J. C. Shover and D. T. Morton,
tenors; Fred E. Miles, Baritone, and
Paul Parker, bass. The quart is
coached by Miss Clara M. Hoyt, head
of the voice department of the uni-
versity. The accompanist is Tho-
mas Taggart.

I. C. C. RENDERS IMPORTANT STOCK SHIPPING DECISION

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 2.—A minimum
weight of 65,000 pounds for third
foot cars containing calves from Gra-
ma and other Texas shipping points
to points in Kansas and other states
were prescribed today by the Inter-
state Commerce Commission in an
order to fifty railroads engaged in
hauling the traffic.

Britain's War Lord Does Smile.



Lord Kitchener.

They say in Great Britain that
Lord Kitchener, the biggest English-
man connected with the war, never
smiles. It is a tradition among the
people that he is very stern. Yet here
is a proof that he can and does smile.
His friends who see him when he is
off duty have insisted that he does
smile occasionally, and they have of-
fered their word to prove it. The
photographer who took this picture

WIDOW OF SLAIN MAN CONFESSES

NAMES ROSCOE HORNBAKER
AS MURDERER OF HER
HUSBAND

Paola, Kan., April 2.—Confessing
that she has kept silence for over two
years regarding the identity of the
murderer of her husband because she
has lived in terror of being killed, Mrs.
George McElheny today declared that
Roscoe Hornbaker, a rural mail car-
rier, was the guilty man. It was on
the strength of her confession, a writ-
ten copy of which was in the hands of
the county prosecutor, that Hornbaker
was arrested yesterday at his home in
Louisburg, Kan. He is confined in
the county jail here awaiting his pre-
liminary hearing at 10 o'clock this
morning.

Mrs. McElheny swears in her con-
fession that prior to her husband's
death she was on intimate terms with
the mail carrier and often visited him
in his own home. She says she did
not love him but that she accepted his
attention because she feared to re-
fuse and because he had told her
stories which made her jealous of her
husband. She stated that Hornbaker
threatened to reveal their intimacy to
her husband if she refused his
caresses.

Fearing to Break Silence.

The charge that Hornbaker gave her
a vial of ground glass and told her to
mix it with her husband's food, is also
contained in the confession.

The story told by the beautiful
widow, who is now only 25 years old,
is a picture of horror. Sure that
Hornbaker was the man who killed her
husband, she tells how, afraid to
speak, she suffered the torment of his
presence, submitted to his desires and
waited for a chance to release herself
from his power. He had threatened
to kill her if she spoke, she says.

For weeks since she determined to
tell her story Mrs. McElheny has
lived in terror, expecting every night
to be shot. She has kept her home
darkened for fear Hornbaker would
kill her by firing through a window.

Confronted with the confession at
his cell in the county jail, Hornbaker,
with sincerity in every tone of his
voice, declared that it was a "frame
up" and that he was not guilty. He
swore he could prove an alibi that he
spent the evening on which the mur-

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SENATE VOTE, WATSON CASE, GOES OVER 1 DAY

FIRST FORMAL VOTE NOT TO
BE TAKEN UNTIL SATUR-
DAY MORNING

Special to The Daily Leader.

OKLAHOMA CITY, APRIL 2.—
THE SENATE IS IN EXECUTIVE
SESSION DEBATING THE WAT-
SON CASE.

IT IS REPORTED THAT THE
FIRST BALLOT WILL BE TAKEN
AT 10 O'CLOCK SATURDAY MORN-
ING.

The pre-arranged program of the
senate to vote on the Watson case on
Friday afternoon was upset by the
prolonged arguments of counsel and
an executive session.

The closing arguments were made
by Judge J. T. Dickerson, of the pro-
secution and W. A. Ledbetter in be-
half of Colonel Watson.

During the day arguments were
made by Sams and Wash Hudson for
the senate, and H. L. Stuart and R.
H. Bell for Watson. Each side was
allowed three hours; for argument.
Chairman Jack Love, of the corpora-
tion commission, was called to the
witness stand. Love testified that
while he did not approve the loans
Watson made, he believed Watson's
"official" judgment had been unim-
paired, and thought him "so consti-
tuted that it did not affect his hon-
esty and integrity."

The defense offered a dozen wit-
nesses to testify that it is the general
impression that the railroads had
backed the institution of the Watson
charges in the lower house.

Judge Sam's denunciation of Wat-
son was the feature of the day's ses-
sion. "He has no more conception of
the distinction between the public
trust and confidence reposed in him
and his own private affairs than a
child," declared the prosecution, com-
paring Watson with the impeached
Lord Chancellor Bacon, who took gifts
from litigants, whose acts he declar-
ed no more reasonable. Judge Day

is demanded that Watson be removed
from office and put Watson on the
plane of a criminal.

Sams declared that Watson's loans
from corporation officials, consti-

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SCHOOL CHILDREN WILL TAKE GUTHRIE SATURDAY

BIG PARADE AT 11 O'CLOCK; CON-
TEST FOR PRIZES AT FAIR
GROUNDS IN AFTERNOON.

All indications point to a record
breaking crowd of school children
from all parts of the county in
Guthrie tomorrow. Six or eight
schools have entered as contestants
for the prizes to be awarded in the
parade at 11 a. m. and a hundred or
more entries have been made for the
athletic contests at the fair grounds
in the afternoon. Admission will be
free to everybody and a cordial in-
vitation is extended to all of the people
of the city and county to come out.

M. L. WEST IS STRICKEN WHILE TRAVELING IN SOUTH

Last Tuesday morning early M. L.
West was found in the union station
in Albany, Georgia, in a state of dia-
betic coma. He was traveling alone
at the time. Mr. West was taken to
a hospital and medical aid rendered.
S. H. Kress & Co., for whom he trav-
els, was notified, who directed every
attention he given him. The Kress
manager at Macon was instructed to
secure all possible attention and best
medical assistance. They also ad-
vised Mr. Ardery here, Mr. West's
business partner, who advised Mrs.
West who is in Kansas City.

Mr. West's condition is very ser-
ious. Mrs. West is now at his bed-
side. He remained unconscious for
15 hours after the attack.

120 OKLAHOMA ACRES BRING HALF MILLION

Tulsa, April 2.—The biggest oil deal
in several months was the sale of the
Lizzie Brown, 120 acres, in the
Cushing field, with eleven wells, mak-
ing 2,100 barrels, by the Ellwood Oil
Company of Tulsa to the Oklahoma
Oil company. The price was \$500,-
000.

FORMER SUPREME JUSTICE ON NEW COMMISSION

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 2.—W. R.
Blakemore, attorney of Ardmore, who
served out the unexpected term of
the late Supreme Court Justice Still-
well H. Russell, was confirmed today
as a member of the supreme court
commission. Judge Blakemore's
name completes the commission that
the governor was empowered to ap-
point. The commission will resume
active duties at once.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT CHANGES

Washington, April 2.—Goodwin D.
Ellsworth of Henderson, N. C.,
Thursday was appointed superintendent
of the division of salaries and man-
power of the postoffice depart-
ment succeeding John C. Koons, who
yesterday was made chief postoffice
inspector. Charles M. Hodges of
Galveston, Texas, was appointed to
succeed Mr. Ellsworth as superin-
tendent of the division of postmasters
appointments.

MAGNOLIA OIL

SHIPMENTS HEAVY.

Oilton, Okla., April 2.—The Mag-
nolia Pipe Line company shipped
from the McMan and Markham load-
ing racks at Norfolk 1,365 tanks of oil
during the month of February and the
total will reach 2,000 barrels for the
month of March, according to Katy
railroad officials who have visited
here. With the completion of the
McMan pipe line from the field to
Addington, to connect with the Mag-
nolia line, the oil shipments over the
Katy will decrease about 100 cars a
day, it is estimated.

Walker on Election Board.

A. L. Walker of Waurika, was
named by Governor R. L. Williams,
Thursday, as a member of the state
election board. He is well known in
political circles. He will be chair-
man.

Letter files for sale at The Leader
office. Price 35c, 3 for \$1.00.

UNIVERSITY BENEFITED BY NEW LEGISLATION

GRADUATES OF INSTITUTION TO
RECEIVE HIGH SCHOOL CER-
TIFICATES TO TEACH.

At the recent session of the state
legislature a law passed that gives
deserved recognition to the Metho-
dist University and schools of like
character. By the wording of the
law, which is printed below it will
be seen that graduates of this in-
stitution will receive life high school
certificates to teach, on the same
basis as the State University. In ad-
dition, any work done toward the
securing of a certificate in this or
like college will be recognized any
time within three years after doing
the work. Heretofore the school
laws have not recognized the de-
nomination and independent colleges
at all.

It is only fair to say that Chan-
cellor Kistner and the presidents of
other denominational colleges of the
state, in collaboration with State
Superintendent Wilson are largely
responsible for this piece of legisla-
tion that puts our Guthrie institution
in a position of advantage it has never
before enjoyed.

The following is the law:

Section 1. Any graduate of any
college organized under the laws of
the State of Oklahoma, and operated
in the State of Oklahoma, requiring
a four year college course for gra-
duation, and which has entrance re-
quirements equivalent to a regular
four year high school course, and
maintaining a course in education
equivalent to the course of education
in the University of Oklahoma, said
course to be approved by the state
board of education, shall, upon ap-
plication to the state superintendent
of public instruction, and making
proof of graduation from any such
college and the completion of said
course of study, be granted a life
high school certificate of the same
rank as is granted to the graduates
of the State University for the same
class of work.

Section 2. When any such college
as referred to in section 1 of this Act,
has established its course of study
and same has been approved by the
State Board of Education, any credit
made in such college, which would
entitle the holder thereof to gradu-
ation in that subject, may be substi-
tuted within three years from the
time the credit is granted, in lieu of
an examination on that subject on any
teachers' certificate.

WILL STAGE BIG FREE PUBLIC SALE, APRIL 10

Guthrie's next free public sale will
be held on Saturday, April 10, at 8
o'clock and every farmer in Logan
county who has live stock, farm pro-
ducts or anything else he desires to
dispose of is invited to bring the
same and sell it free of cost. The
Guthrie business men paying all the
expenses.

Half a dozen work horses, several
cows, some pigs and chickens, full
blooded plymouth rock chickens and
other articles have been listed and
there will be a good sale. This will
be a good time to buy or sell and the
day, date and place should be kept in
mind. There will also be a free
market exchange for the women at
the rest room in the city hall.

LOCAL G. A. R. WILL OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

The local G. A. R. post has arrang-
ed for the observance of the semi-
centennial anniversary of Appomattox
Day, April 9. While the Grand
Army of the Republic organization
here will have a prominent part in
the exercises, many citizens and
school children will have prominent
parts in the programs. Some of the
addresses will be by men whose rela-
tives served in the confederate ar-
my. Among the special features of
the day will be the planting of an
Appomattox peace tree, a majestic
elm, in the grounds of the Carnegie
library.

Take out my rental ad. I have
had fifteen inquiries," phoned Amos
Felix to The Leader today.

BAN ON BOOZE BOOSTED BY NEWSPAPERS

ASK FOR TOTAL SUSPEN-
SION OF TRAFFIC DURING THE WAR

THOUSANDS SIGN PETITIONS
PRAYING FOR PROHIBITION

THREE STRAY TRAWLERS
ARE SUNK BY GERMAN
SUBMARINE

(By Associated Press.)

London, April 2.—Several London
morning papers have appeared today
with full page advertisements pre-
sented petitions with the request
that the supporters of the movement
cut them out and send them to Lloyd-
George, chancellor. The petitions
read:

"I am entirely in favor of the com-
plete suspension of the manufacture
and sale of all intoxicating liquors
during the war, which I consider im-
perative for a quick termination of
the war and I shall heartily support
the government in such measures."

Thousands of petitions are pouring
into the home office. It is believed
that the government is planning for
total prohibition.

Three Trawlers Sunk.

Newcastle, England, April 2.—Three
trawlers have been sunk by the
German submarine U-10 and several
of the crews missing.

Stranded Crew Picked Up.

Amsterdam, April 2.—Eleven men,
crew of the Norwegian bark Nor, tor-
pedoed in the North Sea by German
submarine U-20 were landed today
by the steamer Unia, at Hook of Hol-
land.

MAUNDY THURSDAY FESTIVAL OBSERVED

Scottish Rite Masons enjoyed a
mystic banquet at the temple last
night, after the officers of the Rite
had performed the ceremonial of ex-
tinguishing the seven lights, symbol-
izing the death and crucifixion of
Christ. A large number of Scottish
Rite men attended. The temple
quartette rendered sweet music. J.
E. Peck acted as toastmaster at the
spread and the usual obligatory toasts
were responded to by members of the
Rite, while stirring Masonic addresses
were delivered by Henry S. Johnston
of Perry, and J. W. Perry, master
mechanic of the Santa Fe.

The ceremony of relieving the
tapers will take place Sunday at 2:30
p. m. sharp.

BLEAKMORE AND DUDLEY

TAKE OATH OF OFFICE
Oklahoma City April 2.—W. R.
Blakemore and J. B. Dudley were
sworn in today as supreme court
commissioners. This completes the
court.

THE WEATHER



(By Associated Press.)
New Orleans, La., April 2.—To-
night fair with freezing. Saturday
fair and not so cold.